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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
STATE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS

IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE OF:

NANDAVAR K. RAMACHANDRA, M.D. License No. 25MA05731600

TO PRACTICE MEDICINE IN THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY

Administrative Action

CONSENT ORDER

This matter was most recently opened to the State Board of Medical Examiners ("Board") upon receipt of information from the Professional Assistance Program of New Jersey ("PAP") that Nandavar K. Ramachandra, M.D. ("Respondent") relapsed into a prior alcohol abuse problem, voluntarily agreed to cease practice, and entered into in-patient treatment at the Behavioral Health of the Palm Beaches facility in Lake Worth, Florida on or about December 20, 2005.

Respondent now seeks leave to voluntarily surrender his license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey without prejudice and in accordance with the terms of this Order.



The Board finding the within disposition to be adequately protective of the public health, safety and welfare,

IT IS, therefore, on this __STH_ day of ______, 2006, ORDERED THAT:

- 1. Respondent, Nandavar K. Ramachandra, M.D., is hereby granted leave and shall immediately surrender his license to practice medicine and surgery in the State of New Jersey for a minimum period of three (3) months, effective from December 20, 2005.
- 2. Respondent shall immediately return his original New Jersey license and current biennial registration to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners, Post Office Box 183, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0183.
- 3. Respondent shall immediately return his original CDS registration to the New Jersey State Board of Medical Examiners, Post Office Box 183, Trenton, New Jersey 08625-0183.
 - 4. Respondent shall immediately advise the DEA of this Order.
- 5. Respondent shall comply with the "Directives Applicable to any Medical Board Licensee who is Suspended, Revoked or Whose Surrender of Licensure has been Accepted," attached hereto and made a part hereof.
 - 6. Prior to any restoration of his license, Respondent shall:
 - a. Appear before the Board, or a committee thereof, to discuss his readiness to re-enter the practice of medicine. At that time, Respondent shall be prepared to propose his plans for future practice in New Jersey;
 - b. Provide the Board with evidence that he is capable of discharging the functions of a licensee in a manner

consistent with the public's health, safety and welfare and that he is not then suffering from any impairment or limitation resulting from the use of alcohol or any drug which could affect his practice;

- c. Provide the Board with discharge summaries from any in-patient programs and reports from each and every mental health professional (including but not limited to: psychologists, counselors, therapists, psychiatrists) who have participated in Respondent's care and/or treatment for the disability in this matter during the period of time from his entry into in-patient treatment to his appearance before the Board;
- d. Provide the Board with a report from the PAP detailing the nature and extent of his involvement with that entity, and whether he has abided by the recommendations made by the PAP;
- e. Affirmatively establish his fitness, competence and capacity to re-enter the active practice of medicine and surgery within New Jersey; and
- f. Provide the Board with a full account of his conduct during the intervening period of time from his entry into in-patient treatment to his appearance.

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7. The parties hereby stipulate that entry of this Order is without prejudice to further action by this Board or other law enforcement entities resulting from Respondent's conduct prior to antry into this Order.

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Karen Criss, R.N., C.N.M.

President Pro-Tem

I have read and understood the within Order and agree to be bound by its terms. Consent is hereby given to the Board to enter this Order.

Nandavar K. Ramachandra, M.D.

Consented to as to form:

Cordon J. Calum, Esq.